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Clause J of this agreement reads as follows:

"To acquire the good will, rights and property of any person, firm, association or corporation doing a business similar to that in which this corporation is authorized to engage; to pay for the same in cash, the stock of this company, bonds or otherwise."

The capital stock is placed at \$3,000,000, divided into 30,000 shares of \$100 each, 15,000 shares amounting at par to \$1,500,000 to be preferred, and 15,000 to be common stock. The preferred stock shall be entitled in preference to the common stock to accumulative dividends at the rate of seven per cent yearly as ordered by the board of directors.

The certificate of organization also names these original stockholders: James E. Manter, Portland, Me., 20 shares common stock; Clarence E. Eaton, Portland, Me., three shares common stock; Charles D. Fullerton, Portland, Me., two shares common stock; capital stock unsubscribed and unissued, 14,975 shares common stock, 15,000 shares preferred stock.

At the preliminary organization these officers were elected: President, James E. Manter; treasurer, Clarence E. Eaton; board of directors, the president and treasurer and Charles D. Fullerton. The number of directors was placed at not less than three, nor more than 15. The principal office will be at Portland, Me., where the annual meeting shall be held the second Thursday of June, and an office will be maintained at Boston.

The directors will receive no stated salary, but will be allowed actual travelling expenses, and they will meet the second Thursday of each month. There will be an executive committee of five directors, a finance committee of at least three, two at least to be members of the board of directors, and a purchasing committee of seven.

As far as can be learned, the company will not move from T wharf, but will make its headquarters there. It is reported that refrigerator cars will be purchased for the extension of business.

It is claimed that the new concern will give all its attention to fresh fish, and will not enter the salt fish field. This statement comes from a very authentic and reliable source.

It is understood that the whole capital will be paid in and that the money will be used in the purchase of the business owned and controlled by the dealers who have entered the combination.

Fresh round pollock, 90c per cwt.
Market price fresh hake, \$1.40 per cwt.
Large fresh mackerel, 19 cts. each.
Salt medium mackerel, \$13 per bbl.
Salt tinkers, \$5 per bbl.
Market price fresh cusk, \$1.75 per cwt.
Cox's ledge dory handline salt cod, \$4.75 per cwt. for large and \$3.75 for mediums
Dressed fresh pollock, \$1.00 per cwt.
Cape North fresh codfish, \$2.50 per cwt. for large and \$1.75 for medium.
Fresh whiting, \$1 per bbl.

Boston.

Sch. Joseph P. Johnson, 15,000 haddock, 17,000 cod.
Sch. Jessie Costa, 17,000 haddock, 19,000 cod.
Sch. Lucy B., 2500 haddock, 300 cod.
Sch. Gladys and Sabra, 22,000 cod.
Sch. Belbina P. Domingos, 16,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 1000 hake.
Sch. Frances Whalen, 38,000 haddock, 25,000 cod, 5000 hake.
Sch. Ellen C. Burke, 200 haddock, 22,000 cod.
Sch. Annie Perry, 13,000 haddock, 30,000 cod.
Sch. Thalia, 32,000 cod.
Sch. Morning Star, 100 haddock, 400 cod, 300 hake.
Sch. Scud, 650 large fresh mackerel.
Haddock, \$3 per cwt.; large cod, \$4; market cod, \$1.80 to \$2; hake, \$2 to \$3.50; pollock, \$1.10; mackerel, 15 cts. each.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Alert passed south by Port Mulgrave, N. S. at 6 o'clock Tuesday morning.
Sch. T. M. Nicholson was at Shelburne, N. S., on Tuesday.

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BIG FARE AT NEW YORK.

Sch. Mooween There with 220 Barrels Large Fish.

Big Mackerel Selling There at Sixteen Cents Each.

A special to the Times this afternoon reports the expected arrival there of sch. Mooween, Capt. Joseph E. Graham, with 220 barrels of large fresh mackerel. Beside sch. Mooween, the telegram states that sch. Romance, reported in the first edition of the Times, has 12,000 large fresh mackerel, and that the fish of both fares are selling at 12 cents each.

The following netters were at New Bedford yesterday afternoon:

Sloop Magnolia, 2200 large fresh mackerel.
Steamer Vigilant, 1700 large fresh mackerel.
Sloop Florence.
Sloop John W. Caswell, 1400 large fresh mackerel.
Sloop Lizzie Foster, 1500 large fresh mackerel.
Seineboat Angielena, 1500 large fresh mackerel.
Seineboat Commodore.
Sloop Briganza, 1600 large fresh mackerel.
Sloop Reliance, 1000 large fresh mackerel.
Sloop Dart, 2000 large fresh mackerel.
Sloop Pearl.
Sloop Betsy Ross had 2200 large fresh mackerel there on Wednesday.

A despatch to the Times from Newport this afternoon gives the following arrivals there:

Sch. Mary E. Harty, 100 barrels large fresh mackerel.
Sch. Arthur Binney, 150 barrels large fresh mackerel.
Sch. Lillian, 120 barrels large fresh mackerel.
Sch. Lucania, 100 barrels large fresh mackerel.
Sch. Marguerite Huskins, 60 barrels large mackerel.

More vessels with trips were reported on the way.

Icebergs Aground.

Five large icebergs are aground from between three to ten miles east of Cape Race, N. F., and another is aground ten miles west of that point.

FAST COMING TO A HEAD.

Newfoundland and Fishery Difficulties May Be Settled.

PREMIER BOND IN DESPAIR.

Believes That England Will Concur in U. S. View of Matter.

A despatch from London yesterday says:

"Foreign Secretary Grey recently submitted to the American secretary of state, through the usual diplomatic channels, a plan by which he expressed hope that the Newfoundland fisheries question might be settled, but negotiations have been discontinued temporarily on account of the mass of questions occupying the foreign offices, particularly with reference to The Hague."

"While it is not openly stated to be a fact, it is believed that the suggestions made by Sir Edward Grey have not quite satisfied Premier Bond, who sails for home June 20 without having realized the hope he expressed some weeks ago that before his departure an agreement would be reached with the imperial authorities with respect to future negotiations with the United States over the colony's affairs."

In connection with the above despatch, one from St. John's, N. F., yesterday, says:

"The colonial cabinet is holding daily sessions this week, and frequent cablegrams are passing between the members and Premier Bond, who is still in London, conferring with the imperial ministry regarding the American fishery dispute. It is understood that the activity of the colonial ministers is due to the attempt of the British government to arrange some compromise before the opening of the fishing season next fall."

"It is said that the United States government is not inclined to yield on any phase of the dispute and that this attitude complicates the problem."

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IS IT OR IS IT NOT?

Boston Fish Trust Still Considered Somewhat Doubtful.

Some T Wharf Dealers Claim They Know Nothing of It.

Publication that the Massachusetts Fish Company had at last been incorporated aroused much comment among the fish dealers of Boston, some of it favorable and some unfavorable.

There is considerable doubt and uncertainty as to just what the formation of the company means. In speaking of the matter yesterday afternoon George E. Willey, president of the Boston Fish Bureau, said:

"I know absolutely nothing about the Massachusetts Fish Company, and would like to know what it intends to do. By the papers this morning I noticed that some of the leading fish dealers in Boston are interested in it. The control of the fishing schooners I believe to be rather difficult to accomplish, they are owned by so many people."

One of the best known men in the fish trade said to a reporter that probably 20 per cent. of the fishing schooners were owned or controlled by the skippers, and that the new company would find it almost impossible to purchase them.

Among the firms owning or controlling vessels of their own are the Eastern Fish Company, 10 or 12; the Atlantic Maritime Company, 15 or 16; Francis J. O'Hara, 6; L. B. Goodspeed & Co., 2; Thomas A. Cromwell & Co., 6; E. A. Rich, 6 or 8; Michael Dillon, 3 or 4; Joseph Gannon, 2 or 3; Benjamin F. Phillips, 2 or 3; Capt. Sylvester Whalen, 3 or 4; Baker, Boey & Watson, 3 or 4; C. K. Sullivan, 2 or 3.

Comparatively few of these firms are interested in the reorganizations of the new company and it is said that many of them would probably prefer to continue their business as formerly.

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DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Alice M. Guthrie, Maine Coast, 130,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Mina Swim, Rips, 60,000 lbs. salt cod.
Sch. Olympia, Rips, 40,000 lbs. salt cod.
Sch. Smuggler, seining.
Sch. Mary E. Silveira, seining.
Steamer Water Witch, shore.
Steamer Ida, shore.
Steamer Mystery, shore, 12,000 lbs. fresh pollock.
Steamer Cormorant, shore, 5000 lbs. fresh pollock.
Steamer No Name, shore, 10,000 lbs. fresh pollock.
Steamer Joppaite, shore, 12,000 lbs. fresh pollock.
Sch. City of Everett, shore, 15,000 lbs. fresh pollock.
Sch. Reliance, shore, 3200 lbs. fresh pollock, 1 large mackerel.
Steamer Quartette, shore, 24,000 lbs. fresh pollock.

Todays Fish Market.

Board of Trade fresh fish prices: large western cod, \$2.37 1-2; medium do., \$1.62 1-2; large eastern cod, \$2.12 1-2; medium do., \$1.50; snapper do., 60c; cusk, \$1.62 1-2; snapper do., 50c; haddock, \$1.10; hake, \$1.10; pollock, \$1.

Board of Trade salt fish prices: Large Georges handline cod, \$4.75; medium do., \$3.75; salt haddock, \$2; salt pollock, \$2; salt hake, \$2; salt cusk, \$2.50.

Bank halibut, 10 cts. per lb. for white and 5 1-2 cts. or gray.

Market price large western cod to split, \$2.75 per cwt., medium do., \$1.80.

Large eastern cod, \$2.50, medium do., \$1.75.

Market price fresh large Rips cod, \$2.75 per cwt., medium do., \$1.80.

Market price, salt bank cod, \$4 per cwt. for large and \$3.25 for medium.

Market price salt Rips cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.50 for market, \$2.50 for snappers and \$2 for shack.

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SCH. ALERT BOUND HOME.**Magdalens Herring Catcher Passed Port Mulgrave Tuesday.****Case Is Still Being Looked Into by State Department.**

The Boston fishing sch. Alert, Capt. Almon D. Malloch, which has been to the Magdalen islands on a herring trip and was warned from catching fish on the penalty of being seized, and which went to North Sydney, C. B., and reported her case to Washington, as previously reported in the Times, is evidently on the way home, as a telegram from Port Mulgrave, N. S., reports her as passing there, bound south, at 6 o'clock Tuesday morning.

By this it would seem that Capt. Malloch has given up his trip, although the matter is still engaging the attention of the state department.

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BURIED IN POLLOCK.**Sch. Eglantine Arrived This Noon with 160,000 Pounds.**

Simply buried in pollock, the good sch. Eglantine, Capt. George Smith, arrived at this port this noon with her hold full in every nook and cranny and even fish piled high on deck. She hails for 160,000 pounds and when Capt. Smith says he has them they are certainly there. It is a monster fare and secured in a very few days. Capt. Smith is showing the boys that he is a most versatile skipper and is as adept in catching pollock as he is in catching hake, the fish on which he made his great reputation as summer shacker.

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FINE WORK.**Sch. Fannie A. Smith Gets \$3000 on Recent Trip.**

Sch. Fannie A. Smith, Capt. Fred Thompson, stocked \$3042.42 as the result of her recent halibut and codfishing trip to Cape North, the crew making the fine share of \$100.50. This is certainly great work for a short trip and must please Capt. Thompson and his crew as well as their many friends.

LOTS OF HERRING.**Nelson Ice and Bait Company Has Made a Big Haul.**

A special to the Times this noon from Boothbay Harbor, Me., states that the Nelson Bait and Ice Company there has made a big haul of fair-sized herring and is ready to bait all vessels which come.

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Not in Combine, They Say.

According to some of those whose names were mentioned as members of the new fish combine yesterday the use of their names was unwarranted. L. B. Goodspeed & Co. are emphatic in saying that they are in no way connected with the combine and signed no agreement to join it. Other dealers say the use of their names was not authorized.

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NEWPORT'S BIG MACKEREL FEST**Seiners Landed 2700 Barrels There in 24 Hours.****PROSPECT NEVER BRIGHTER.****Seiners Took Fish Off Halifax and Canso, N. S., Yesterday.**

The good news which Newport began sending into Gloucester about mackerel yesterday morning was kept up all day, and this morning brought the end, for a few hours at least, during which time the vessels will have a chance to get back to the grounds and the tired and worn out mackerel buyers, who have not had their clothes off for a wink of sleep for nearly 48 hours, will have a chance to get a much needed rest, that is they may sleep until the next incoming craft heaves in sight, and then they will once more hot foot it for the wharf.

Yesterday's Newport record was 2470 barrels of fresh mackerel shipped, which means that fully 2700 of the ordinary mackerel barrel were landed, the buyers shipping and keeping their account by Irish mackerel barrels, which will hold more fish, so really their day's work is bigger than they make it out to be.

The fact of the matter is that the past 24 hours has been one of the best in Newport's mackerel history, and that of course means that the mackerel seining fleet has been wading right into the schools of fish off Block Island and making dollars at every cast of the seines.

Yesterday morning's news was considered good, but Capt. McFarland's report when he came in that there were lots of vessels becalmed outside with fish showed that the fleet in general had shared in the day's doings and would come in for a part of the prosperity.

Of these crafts that had managed to drift in and land good fares, and this was supplemented at 7 o'clock last evening by word from Newport that the arrivals to that hour numbered 20, thus leaving half a dozen vessels there with fish that had not been heard from.

Early this morning the Times had a telephone talk with its representative at Newport, and he gave the following arrivals since last report:

Sch. J. W. Bradley, Capt. William Foley, 55 barrels large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Gossip, Capt. Samuel T. Hatch, 60 barrels large fresh mackerel.

Sch. A. M. Nicholson, Capt. Solomon Jacobs, 185 barrels large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Elizabeth Silsbee, Capt. John A. McKinnon, 203 barrels large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Constellation, Capt. Thaddens Morgan, 300 barrels large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Pinta, Capt. John F. Vautier, 300 barrels large fresh mackerel.

Our correspondent said that the vessels simply hustled in and got their fish out of the wharf and drove to sea again without waiting for anything.

Skippers and men all agreed that the prospect was grand and that they were working on a big body of fish. They actually seemed to begrudge the time it took to run in and land their fares, so anxious were they to stay with the fish. They seemed to all have mackerel fever the worst way and none of them wanted to be cured.

The fish are being taken from 55 miles southwest of Montauk Point to 12 miles southwest of Block Island, and the fleet is certainly on a big body of fish.

The trips of schs. Constellation and Pinta are corkers and have been secured in double quick time. The former, a gasoliner, sailed from here only last Tuesday, and Thursday night was at Newport with 100 barrels and went right out again, getting right on the fish once more and back again this morning with 300 barrels. This is certainly keeping things moving. Sch. Pinta also left here last Tuesday and made the fish without any loss of time, for she too reached Newport during the night with 300 barrels of big ones.

Everybody had the mackerel smile last evening in the vicinity of the Board of Trade. The good news from the south started it and the word that the fleet on the Cape Shore were also on fish broadened it to the most generous proportions.

A Halifax despatch of Friday said:

"The mackerel struck into the bay last night and the Gloucester purse-seining fleet began active work. None of the vessels have yet come into port. Local fishermen took several hundred barrels during the night. The fish, which were nearly three weeks later than the usual time in their arrival here, are very large."

Besides this, it was known that one of the fleet, at Canso, N. S., last night had taken one school of 40 barrels the night before off there and also made three other hauls. This craft is ahead of the fish or right on the heads of them, and with the big schools of Halifax and the fish showing off Canso at the same time, it shows that the mackerel, although about three weeks late, have struck in on the Cape Shore in their old time form.

A despatch to the Times this morning confirms the report of the American seiners taking fish off Halifax and also states that so plentiful are the fish that they are being taken by the Canadian boats right up in Halifax harbor. Not only this, but they are reported solid all along the shore in that vicinity and good hauls have been made by the boats and traps. The traps at Yarmouth and vicinity are also doing well, for the steamer Yarmouth at Boston today has 500 barrels fresh mackerel from along there.

So take it all in all, it is a pretty good mackerel day and a pretty good mackerel feeling permeates all, the only drawback being there is a general feeling that it is too bad there are not more vessels on the Cape Shore, for the salted goods are greatly needed and will bring good money.

The Gloucester Fresh Fish Co.'s trap took 26 large mackerel this morning and Heath's trap took eight, the former also had 100 very large shad, the first of the season hereabouts.

The netter Cherokee is at Newport this morning with 400 large fresh mackerel and the Mary Wiley with the same amount.

The catch of fresh mackerel to date is about 23,000 barrels against 18,000 barrels last year at this time. Up to this date last year, but 516 barrels of salt mackerel had been landed from the Cape Shore.

Sch. Lottie G. Merchant, Capt. Charles H. Harty, was at Block Island yesterday afternoon, with 100 barrels of large salt mackerel. Capt. Harty hustled his fish out so as to be out on the grounds again last night.

A despatch from Dingle, Ireland, says: "Our fishery last week resulted in nil and the fishermen do not seem confident of a good season."

A typographical error yesterday caused us to quote large mackerel selling at New York at 12 cents each. It should have been 16 cents.

Sloop Pearl was at New Bedford yesterday with 3800 large fresh mackerel and the sloop Dart was also there with 3500 large fresh mackerel both very fine trips. The netters landing at New Bedford seem to have a mortgage on the mackerel, as the other netters have done practically nothing for a week while they have been landing good trips every day.

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Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Gladys and Sabra, via Boston, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Robert and Carr, shore, 50,000 lbs. fresh pollock.

Steamer Mystery, shore, 27,000 lbs. fresh pollock.

Steamer Water Witch, 10,000 lbs. fresh pollock.

Sch. Reliance, 20,000 lbs. fresh pollock.

Steamer Dauntless, shore.

Steamer Ocean View, shore.

Harbor boats, 59 bbls. whiting.

Sch. Winnifred, Rips, 45,000 lbs. salt cod.

Today's Fish Market.

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Board of Trade salt fish prices: Large Georges headline cod, \$4.75; medium do., \$3.75; salt haddock, \$2; salt pollock, \$2; salt hake, \$2; salt cusk, \$2.50.

Bank halibut, 10 cts. per lb. for white and 5 1-2 cts. or gray.

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Market price salt Rips cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.50 for market, \$2.50 for snappers and \$2 for shuck.

Fresh round pollock, 90c per cwt.

Market price fresh hake, \$1.40 per cwt.

Large fresh mackerel, 19 cts. each.

Salt medium mackerel, \$13 per bbl.

Salt tinkers, \$5 per bbl.

Market price fresh cusk, \$1.75 per cwt.

Cox's ledge dory headline salt cod, \$4.75 per cwt. for large and \$3.75 for mediums

Dressed fresh pollock, \$1.00 per cwt.

Cape North fresh codfish, \$2.50 per cwt. for large and \$1.75 for medium.

Fresh whiting, \$1 per bbl.

Boston.

Sch. Buema, 15,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Lena May, 900 haddock, 800 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. William A. Morse, 10,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 1000 pollock.

Sch. Quonnapowitt, 11,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 2000 hake.

Haddock, \$2 to \$3 per cwt.; large cod, \$3.50; market cod, \$1; hake, \$1.50 to \$3.

Provincetown Notes.

A good sized whiting "run" occurred Monday night at the eastern part of the harbor. A large lot of this species was sold to the Pickert concern, and other sizable lots went to the Provincetown Cold Storage and the Perkins curing establishment.

Of the great quantity of whiting taken in weirs Tuesday, the Pickert salting gang took 211, and the Provincetown Cold Storage Company about 100 barrels.

The weirs at Provincetown and Truro contained great lots of the species Wednesday, salting concerns, etc., being early stocked with all they could care for during the day. Most of the weir boats came to dock loaded to their fullest capacity with the fish.

Three hundred and five barrels of Wednesday's catch of whiting were put under salt at Pickert's curing wharf.

Sch. Addie Story of Gloucester is in the harbor, buying and salting pollock and whiting.

Schs. Monitor and Lottie Brynes sailed Saturday afternoon and sch. Gladstone Saturday evening for the Grand Banks.

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WATER BOARD MEETING.

Relaying Pipe on Washington Street Hard Proposition.

Several Complaints Heard by the Commissioners.

The pay rolls of the water department last week, as approved by the water board last evening, amounted to \$756.76.

The board heard one party at last evening's meeting on a complaint of poor water service on Beachmont avenue, and a proposition was submitted which it is hoped will remedy the matter.

Another water taker, residing on Western avenue, complained of the charges made for replacing burst water pipes. As the evidence was conclusive that the party, through his own fault, neglected to protect his pipes from freezing, which caused the whole trouble, his request for a rebate was not granted.

Superintendent Moran reported that the work of pipe laying on Washington street near Middle street was a hard proposition, but that the outlook for completing the job this week was good. On Centennial avenue, where work is also in progress, good headway had been made, and this also would be completed this week.

The board voted to notify the members of the New England Water Works Association, who make an excursion to this city June 26, that every courtesy would be extended to them by the department employees, and those who wished to do so could inspect any portion of the plant, including the subway under the canal, at their pleasure.

It was voted to make a small extension of the summer service pipe at Fresh Water Cove to accommodate two prospective water takers in that section of the city.

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NEWS OF SALT BANKERS.

French, English and Nova Scotian Fleets Doing Well.

Recent reports would tend to show that the salt bank fleets of St. Pierre, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland are doing well.

Although rough weather has prevailed on the banks the fishing has been reported as good, the St. Pierre fleet showing up with large catches.

The bring Couronne, from north of Grand Banks, had 1100 qtls. and sch. Yvette arrived at St. Pierre with 800 qtls. Another vessel, the St. Christopher, at St. Pierre, June 10, reports communicating with French and American schooners, all being well fished. The Christopher's catch was 1000 qtls.

At Lunenburg, N. S., large fares are reported, 16,000 qtls. having been landed up to June 10. Until quite recently catch had been light, but the last week on the grounds, especially near Cape North, nearly all of the vessels had done well.

FOR LABRADOR TRIP.

Capt. Moses Bartlett and Newfoundland Crew Arrive Here.

Capt. Moses Bartlett of Brigus, N. F., and five other Newfoundlanders have arrived here. They are to go north with Dr. Cook and Mr. J. C. Bradley of New York on the hunting and scientific trip in sch. Joseph W. Lufkin, which the latter has recently purchased at this port. The voyage will probably extend to Greenland.

The vessel is now being made ready on the Rocky Neck railways under the personal supervision of Dr. Cook. She has been sheathed outside and men are now at work inside putting in timbers and braces and otherwise making her ready for the hard voyage. The expense of getting the vessel in just the shape wanted is considerable, and no expense is being spared to have things just as desired.

MORE HALIBUT STEAMERS.

Two Now Building for the New England Fish Co.

Two steel fishing steamers, similar in model to the New England but 25 feet longer, will be built at Esquimalt, B. Col., for the New England Fish Company of Boston for use in its halibut fisheries in the Pacific. The two steamers will cost in the neighborhood of \$160,000. They will be about 150 feet long and will be fitted with modern appliances throughout.

Big Herring Haul.

Herring are reported very plentiful in Bay of St. George, N. F., and 6000 barrels were taken there recently in one day.

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Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Lucinda I. Lowell and Harry A. Nickerson of the flitted halibut fleet are expected at Bay Bulls, N. F., for water, and news of ice on the east coast before sailing to the north on their flitted halibut trips.

Sch. George R. Bradford is in port.

Sch. Margaret was at Shelburne, N. S., Saturday.

Porto Rico Fish Market.

Advices from Porto Rico, under date of June 3, say: "We have to report no improvement in the position of our markets, trade in general being dull as usual at this period of the year. Codfish has experienced a further decline; pollock is neglected, and split herrings are simply unsalable, owing to oversupply. We quote nominal 'net ex wharf': Codfish, \$6 per 100 lbs.; pollock and haddock, \$4.25 do.; split herring, \$1 per bbl.; smoked herring, 10c per box (lengthwise.)

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Another Small Trip for the Spray.

The steam otter trawler Spray reached Boston yesterday with another small trip, 29,000 pounds of fresh fish, 7500 weight of flounders and 1500 pounds of halibut.

Big Lobster.

Leslie Atkinson caught a lobster last week at Deep Cove, Shelburne, N. S., measuring 17 1-2 inches from nose to tail and weighing 7 pounds, 8 ounces.

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MADE GOOD START.

Sch. A. B. Nickerson Has 180 Barrels Large Mackerel.

Sailed South from Here Only a Few Days Ago.

A special to the Times from its New Bedford correspondent states that steamer Angelina B. Nickerson of Provincetown, which has been landing big fares of fresh pollock here for the past two months and went south mackerel seining last week, was at New Bedford yesterday afternoon with 180 barrels of large fresh mackerel, the fish being taken in two sets of the seine off Gay Head, Martha's Vineyard.

A large fleet of netters were at New Bedford Sunday and Monday with good catches, the gasoline seineboat Angielena having 27 barrels of large fish.

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STOLE FISH

And Got Jail Sentence at North Sydney, C. B.

A North Sydney, C. B., despatch of Friday says:

"A fisherman belonging to the Gloucester schooner Mystery, who was arrested yesterday morning by Chief of Police McDonald on a charge of stealing a dory load of fish from that vessel, was tried in the police court before Stipendiary Archibald and sentenced to three months in the county jail. He was taken to Sydney last evening along with another prisoner who will serve a term at headquarters."

There is no sch. Mystery hailing from this port. It is probable that the Boston schooner of that name is meant.

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Bay of Islands Fishermen Downhearted.

Fishermen of Bay of Islands, N. F., are downhearted because up to last Wednesday there is a scarcity of lobsters, herring and codfish in the bay.

Caplin at Newfoundland.

Caplin struck in myriads at Chapel Cove, N. F., last week, but the heavy sea which was running prevented the people from catching any.

Bait Scarce.

Bait is reported scarce at Provincetown.

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Good Georges Trips.

Sch. Cecil H. Low, Capt. Thomas Haynes, arrived yesterday afternoon from a straight Georges handline trip, with a splendid fare of 40,000 pounds of salt cod.

Sch. Arthur D. Story, Capt. William Sloan, also arrived with a good fare having 25,000 pounds of salt cod. Both vessels also landed \$350 worth each of halibut at Portland.

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FIRST SWORDFISH.

Sch. Nokomis Put Lily Iron into Three of Them.

The first swordfish of the season were landed at New Bedford on Sunday by sch. Nokomis of Boston, Capt. Edward Stanley of this city. The craft had three fish, and being the first to reach the market this season they brought a fancy figure.